

This brochure is designed to inform you about the Nuisance Abatement Program, how to report a nuisance, and its overall compliance with the Indianapolis/Marion County Revised Code.

DID YOU KNOW?

- 1. Multi-Agency & Neighborhood Sweeps.** The Nuisance Abatement Section partners with multiple city-government agencies to plan and coordinate sweeps in relation to business licensing, neighborhoods and nuisance properties/property owners.
- 2. Special Event Enforcement.** The Nuisance Abatement Section works with DCE's Business Licensing and Property Safety and Maintenance Services Divisions to oversee established 'Clean Zones' during the event. These special events include: The Indy 500 Festival, Indiana Black Expo, NCAA and Big Ten Championships, and more.
- 3. Administrative Hearings.** The Nuisance Abatement Section works to expedite cases and relieve the burden on the court system by performing city advocacy and coordinating various administrative hearings, including: License Administrator, Inoperable Vehicles, Environmental, and High Weeds and Grass.

To report a nuisance property, business or owner, please contact the DCE Nuisance Abatement staff at:

Nuisance_Abatement@indy.gov

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Department of Code Enforcement

Driving public safety and improving quality of life in the City of Indianapolis / Marion County through the strategic application of civil code regulation, and the efficient and effective administration of:

- PERMITS
- LICENSES
- INSPECTIONS

For a complete list of services and resources, visit us online, in person or give us a call!

LOBBY HOURS:

Mon, Tue, & Thu: 8:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.

Wed: 12:00 p.m. — 5:00 p.m.

Fri: 9:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.

Sat, Sun & Holidays: Closed

Questions regarding case history, permits, reports and enforcement? Visit the Citizen Access Portal Indy.gov/dce/research.



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To report an ordinance violation or neighborhood concern:

By Phone: **(317) 327-4MAC (4622)**

Go Online: Indy.gov/RequestIndy

Mobile App: [RequestIndy](https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/request-indy/id1011111111) (iPhone/Android)



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NUISANCE ABATEMENT



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Mission Statement

The Nuisance Abatement Section of the Department of Code Enforcement (DCE) oversees nuisance-related issues that impact the quality of life in the City of Indianapolis. Nuisance Abatement works closely with multiple city-government agencies to identify civil and criminal nuisance issues within the City of Indianapolis in an effort to proactively enforce the local civil municipal code, address problem landlords, and assist in the effort of timely filing of cases to the Office of City Prosecutor.

What that means for you

With citizens' help and partnerships with multiple agencies at the city, county, state and federal levels, the Nuisance Abatement Section is able to identify and pursue remedies for nuisance properties, as well as owners who own multiple properties that have a negative impact on the community.

INITIATIVES AND CASES

Nuisance Initiatives

The Nuisance Abatement Analyst compiles data from leads by other agencies and citizen complaints to determine candidates for nuisance lawsuit filing. Additionally, police data is compiled from the GIS mapping system that allows the Nuisance Abatement Analyst to recommend both residential and commercial properties for nuisance abatement projects.

Case Types Monitored

In researching potential nuisance owners or properties, various criteria are taken into consideration, such as:

- Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department runs and reports activity
- Indianapolis Fire Department runs
- DCE violations such as high weeds and grass, building code, zoning ordinance, infrastructure, drainage and right of way, and illegal dumping activity
- Marion County Public Health Department cases such as: Demolition, Housing, Trash, Bed Bugs, Lead-Based Violations, Unsafe Building Orders, and Vacant Board Order cases
- Animal Care and Control runs

STATE OF INDIANA AND INDIANAPOLIS /MARION COUNTY CODE

Indiana Code 32-30-6-6

Sec. 6. Whatever is:

- (1) injurious to health;
- (2) indecent;
- (3) offensive to the senses; or
- (4) an obstruction to the free use of property;

so as essentially to interfere with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property, is a nuisance, and the subject of an action.

Section 391-101 of the Revised Code of the Consolidated City of Indianapolis and Marion County

Those offenses which are known to the common law and the state statutes as public nuisances, in case any such nuisance exists within the city, may be treated as such and be proceeded against as provided for in this chapter, or in accordance with any other provisions of law.

After

